SOPHIE "Every Day a Heart Is Being Broken Because of This Sense-LUEB less Striving to Be 'Somebody'

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CAN stand it no longer. I am sick body and soul. My debts overwhelm me. I cannot rise above them. Some day I will end it all." These are the words I found in the letter of a man who was made miserable because his wife wanted to shine in the social firmament. The struggle was too much for him-the struggle of his wife to get

Many a gay party has been held in his house and the cost not counted until too late. And the family skeleton looked grimly on, for the family skeleton has no funnybone

This man sees but two paths open жижиниминиминиминиминий to him-divorce or suicide. And he loves his wife. But to him the whole thing has become a heetle herror.

Oh! what a pitiful story it is, and so many like it come to me. Every day, somewhere, in some home, a heart is being broken because of this senseless striving to be "somebody."

The divorce courts are filled with cases wherein either party, mostly always the woman, has sought the limelight, and the husband could not keep up the pace.

And what is this society business? Let's look at it squarely. Why do people strive to get into certain sets? Why do they go to great trouble and even extremes to get into the social game? Where does it end? What does it get you? What do you get

I know a number of society people. I know women who do nothing but pass their lives in a mad whirl-answering one invitation after another. I know men who go through the day's work to wait only for the good time that will come somewhere at night. And in all these cases (I can't recall a single exception) in a few years they are the most unhappy people in the world.

Especially is this true of American society. And why? Because American society is built up on the sinking sand of illusion. The big game is to shine and to outshine.

You go to any big party or affair and it reminds you of the little colored boy who went to a hotel in Atlantic City as a bellboy and was asked at the end of the day what he thought of it. He answered:

"Funniest place I ever was in. Everybody talkin' and nobody lis-

That sums up the average social climis in this country, and they are nothing but stunts.

Most any afternoon pink tea may be summed up in gibble-gabblesubble-git. It is a haphagard meeting of people who want to see and be seen. And when it's all over it passes from memory like the mists

I the morning. This used to be the case in the older countries, but the tide has turned. When kings have toppled from thrones and princes have become vaudeville actors and office boys, the world has changed its "Who's Who" to What's What.

They are beginning to realize that brains and accomplishment and sweet. cities and in the small towns, fretting, ness and character are more satisfying than empty heads and funcy dress and fine meals.

In the best homes-whose people are the mainstay of nationsonly those are being invited who have achieved something in the world's work, be it ever so small, and if they have not attained something of value in the community, they must have heart and soul and something to recommend them besides money and a name that somebody else has earned. And the day will come when such credentials will prove the prevalent passport at all social gatherings.

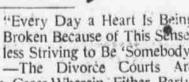
Oh! 'the heartaches, the miseries, the vexations that come to the perrons who want to radiate in scelety. Take the average woman whose hushand has accumulated a little money. She wants to "get in" with people. She starts to with the cateriaining it gets you the most every way. game it is a great game.

Very often the wife will have some ever be in the foreground of festive woman in mind as a beacon, whose ties with the "400," if you pleas level she wants to reach or to best. Her time is spent in scheming and planning how she will savite this one gladness.

The best thing site does in this a good time—the way to understand with Madeira hand embroiders, for bright business is to throw money if you are really getting something than a good time—the way to understand with Madeira hand embroiders, for the social game, is when you state each.

The way to know if you are baying something with Madeira hand embroiders, for our of the social game, is when you that the by way of variety physical documents and relaxed. tion indeed. Yet how few realize that, cost,

they are but little glow-worms alight- straining to have it select you.



You Often Read

About Her

GRACE GEBBIE DRAYTON

NVENTED the queer-looking

kids who turned the taste of a

nation to soup. Born in Phila-

delphia but now lives in New York,

where she belongs. Studied art,

homoeopathically, then developed

something different that paid better

and has pleased the public quite

as much. Originator of dolls, de-

signs and statuettes, all with fat

cheeks and big eyes. Says she looks

like the kids she draws. Maybe so. Maybe not. Do YOU think

ing a little hour or two"-and gone!

The pathetic thing about it is that

these fireflies think that they give off

real warmth in their gush, when it is

but a sparkle that passes in a night.

know just a few people, but good

ones-people who are the salt of

the earth-who may not have so

much money, but who have good

sound sense and sweetness in their

makeup-who are real friends-

who love you because you love the

What a mad magistrom:

cial infercourse, heart-to-heart one soul-to-soul. If you have better or two

the greatest society in the world.

The man or woman who must for

loses what perhaps but four mail

beauty, in courage, in love,

human beings like that you are

things they love?

How much better it is indeed to

Can You Beat It!

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Statistics

World Couldn't Rotate or Stop Without 'Em

They Show Anything Under the Sun, the Same as a Muslin Skirt.

By Neal R. O'Hara.

CINCE Auti-Salogn League discovered decimal point, U. S. has been land of Useless Statistics. But be they ever so useless, we can't get along without 'em. Running time of rockets from here to Mars is governed by statistical laws. Statistics determine beans per plate yougrab in automatic restaurant. If Siwash casts thirteen votes for Bryan, statistics prove he can't be elected. Wonderful!

Statistics show anything under

Helps for the Mother

T is not easy to resist the plead-

ings of a child for forbidden yield, and even quite a firm father or their faces, wore very few clothes mother will think, "just this once will and gave all they owned for a little do no harm," and they will probably booch. And history is now repeating say, "Now, I shall give you just a liftie bit to taste," While this decision itself. That's undeniable. Statistics may be quite true, it is not wise to unfurled at union headquarters show relent, as it lays the foundation for that waiters are only union guys that future pleadings and this, "Just a demand a shorter lunch hour. And little" will probably be repeated so from sources that cannot be imoften that before the parents realize peached staggers interesting fact it i bad habit has been formed. It that there are always two sides to also soon develops a bad taste for every question and lawyers to argue these foods which are usually of the rich or sweet variety, and the child will not have the same relish for the one. plain foods allowed him. The "just pleadings. The only way to avoid this s firmness in refusing even a taste. The child will soon learn that the statistics to prove that. That's obis not good for little children." And contentedly remarked, "When I get were not served to her. It was a out for yourself. matter of course to her, as it is to all children thus wisely trained will

On this particular evening as Peggy

the sun, same as a muchin skirt. To haven't been doctored. No office, err was human in olden days, before factory, home or flat is complete statistics put universe in groove, without bales of raw figures and But now no excuse for skidding on fractions. When outla board fails to mistakes, so long as your logarithms scratch correct answer, let Arabian numerals proceed with statisting.

ERRERHERMERHERMERHERMERHER Statistics fresh from Orient prove that Chinese family can live on 121/4 cents a day, or 21/2 cents per queue. That's interesting, Statistics from New York's gunmen zone prove policemen are a plucky lot-they always whistle when they're in trouble. That's official.

Data gleaned from history states foods. Induigent parents will that aboriginal Americans painted. on both sides. No doubt about that

Statistics now go to prove the fact n little" is also quite likely to become that from that the Statue of Liberty a portion in response to persistent stands on is wrought. Idea it stands for is also rot, but you don't need food served to him is all that he is vious. Figures also tend to prove allowed to have and he will be per- thin: Laugh and the world laughs feetly contented. A three-year-old with you; road 'em and ween and child thus reared refused candy of- you need a loan. That's a good fered by a playmate because "candy point. Data from Imporial Domain in Atlanta shows that meetings of a four-year-old in the same family Ku Klux are klandestine, as usual. big I can eat cake and jam and Kud, statistics from latest Postal candy," and she never resented the Guide show there are always ten fact that all foods upon the table letters in Pittsburgh. . Figure that

If Methusaleh had deposited one Keep the window in the children's dollar at six per cent, interest at age sleeping room open at night. Have a of twenty-one, statistics show be feet from the floor and keep it at 65 000,000,000,000, or just enough degrees F, during the night until the infant is about three months old. After that it should be 55 degrees, and after baby has passed its first birthday the sleeping room should be kept at a temperature ranging between 45 degrees and 50 degrees. (That's latest fraternal order in which everything depends on the grip. That's thermometer hanging about three would have died with \$1,000,000,000; important. And evidence aired in divorce courts each day proves many guys don't know the war is over, the way they are carrying on.

> Other nimble figures go to prove that married life may not be so exciting as bedroom farces show it, but beyond a doubt that beer is off ngain, on again, gone again as medicine. That's tough. And data states that wrong numbers are best sellers published by the telephone company. That's all.

Good Prune Desserts

W HEN cooking prunes it is ecotity. They are delicious gowns, wraps and fancy colffures for her boibed hair. They were ready to give her anything she desired if she would promise to marry the man of answ that the little god of love would promise to marry the man of the conved and pampered to be sheet for the convex to the con

ones. Several times they enjoyed an newer be any remance, and sirlish dered sugar. Add the prunes, mix after-theatre supper, but Pergy did emotions of "this is the only man in the world for me."

Not care to dance half as much as the world for me."

Townley's sister looked somitingly on.

Peggy wondered if this were not a He realized to be clirible in the eyes.

PRUNE WHIP.

In beauty, in courage, in love, and that one who will advance her is because where and that one who will advance her is the social scale.

And of course, it is easy to a companie—tree feeds in plants parliame. As yes—they always have plenty of fond for the body, but Ittis for the soul. Ob, the stiffness, the sortes, the sortes,

parties should has or prane lake over the gelating is them. So, and add walf a cup of sugar. Remove the country the social room the prince and the him was rough fits both the princes and the

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When I think of the people in the be attractive, appropriate, rities and in the small towns, fretting. thing they are not, I always think of time be a gift in every sense of the Sevenson's words: now much better word and will not cost over \$20. t would have been to have been sit-

That is a question which comes to by the fire quietly reading.

That is a question some number of that a mad manistrom: When many persons who have a number of you ston to think there is so much of presents to buy this year for relareal joy in the world-so much that tives and friends and wish to put a could be satisfied without the seeth-limit of price upon each gift. ing slush and without the sensetous limit of price upon each gift.

A trip through the department I know of a mother and daughter stores and gift shops convinces one son in a log house in the Adiron-, that a gift costing \$2 or less can dacks. They live there all the year and. They have a lew friends—true friends, whom they visit when—ever they can, and not too often.

They read the best books; they see the best plays. They love nature. They are joy in sumaine and restructures in rain. They have time to do a tiveness and its individuality for that ness in rain. They have time to do a tiveness and its individuality for that bit or charity work-not mere alms- particular person particular person. iving. They find some one who needs

For instance, what could please cowhide helt with sterling selver then and give of themselves.

Their lives are the fullest because Mary Jane more than a dainty, new Lord with sterning series with ster they are real. There is no pose but powder jar for her boudoir table? And while we are talking about a "T," for \$1.50, much poise derived from their real so. These attractive and decidedly "use, the men here are some other mas. And let's no ful" jars can be purchased for \$1.50. culine suggestions: Pocket knives forget the kiddles.

ated with a bell-

Its nt bouquet

top powder puff.



fair-weather variety. The way to know if you are baying sires a very fine linea handkerchief

To shine or not to white better than are thoroughly content and relaxed. But by way of variety phane and her neighbor and that is the quest and happs. Any other feeling is give Bodder Tom or Court till a tion indeed. Yet how few realize that Select your society instead of of suspenders this year, it walls were done any more! Buy him a black



A Blueblid dolt for \$2,

They come in orange, light given, with handles of pearl, stag, cocobola You may not bebine, rose and and pyralin \$1.08. All silk four in lieve it, but some hand ties in plain and fancy designs of the most atbayender tints 51/98. Fest comfy suppers in brown tractive dolls only and military blue \$1.98. And then cost \$2. They are they have the cutest leather three- may dolls, but fold compartment for bills in pin s-at such cute clothes Whiskbroom is

Then one can Sik stockings for both men and faces you never \$1.50.

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Sewing Life, proved at \$1,500. Made re size. Contains all sewing scree- all

heads for \$1.50. Water pitchers of white glass, with a deposit of storling silver in effective scrolls, costing \$1.98, make a dainty gift. Two sets of kitchen knives may be purchased for \$1.50. And a light cut crystal handled cake plate or cheese and cracker dish may be bought for \$1.98.

Lace and silk boudoir caps, trimmed in pink and blue and orchid, prettily boxed, for \$1.98, are most acceptable in the little hidy who comes to breaklast with her hair still in curbers.

Fancy glass bottles filled with smelling salt cubes make a charming present for Aunt Henrietta or Cousin Fanny. These can be purchased for \$1.98. And there is an imported and this immensely because it was all so in common domestic partures atomizer in hands. painted or cut glass, which would suit some dainty feminine member

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nings for every member of the facts

The Heart of a Girl

By Caroline Crawford Which Man Will Peggy Choose for a Husband?

The tory of a typical New York girl, Peggy Daylon, eighteen, has just entered business as a steongrapher. Her heart is divided between two lovers, Hally Bracton, her own age, and Barrison Towniev, a well-to-do buchelor ten years her senier. The office opens new experiences, brings new lovers. Begin reading this stery to-day, every invalument a new episode in Feggy's affairs. A THEATRE ENGAGEMENT WITH TOWNLEY. A T first when Harrison Townley do not account for so many unhappy took Peggy to the theatre they marriages?" thought Peggy. "The were accompanied by his sis-man must spend a few hours each man must spend a few hours each

ter and her hus—week away from the glare and glitter band. These were of a jolly crowd. She must find out usually box party affairs, with af-ter-theatre sup- up in the golden sunshine of others' whites and combinate in pers and a dance smiles and compliments. or two between on Townley sat together between the intermission of a musical councily both seemed to realize how little they had COURSES.

new to her. Her parents had replen- Townley, as he studyed her face in-

their choice.

But lately Townley had been taking remain with them through the long remain with them through the long primes will keep well.

Peggy alone to the theatre. His sister cars of married life remain with Townley merely unchaperoned they did not take a taxi was an ideal suitor, an eligible young but used the subway. Also instead of to marry. But she knew there would and sweeten with half a cup of pow-

anow how to entertain ner in a crowd they always managed to toollet's and pane is a spiradid time. They deposit build expulsible a

hand together, they have the limes house committee a con-light and the red back little of reporter house a result of a of outside. Towns was net to more to be so by

Next article-bifts for 45 and loss. couples know they took well together To-Morrow-Marion Minton's Dance, creum,